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THREE CENTS

Mrs. Emeline Dickinson

Mrs. Emeline Fletcher Dickerson, widow of Dr. Charles E. Dickerson who spent 36 years in the service of the Northfield Schools, died suddenly here Friday, October 10. She returned here in May from Oldwick, New Jersey, where she had lived since Dr. Dickerson's retirement in 1925.

She was born in Waterville, Maine, December 5, 1863, attended Colby Academy and graduated from Colby College in 1891. Following her graduation she came here as a teacher of Greek at Mount Hermon School and after three years accepted a similar post in a school in the province of New Brunswick, Canada. On August 16, 1895, she married to Dr. Dickerson who was a teacher of mathematics at Mount Hermon. In 1911 Dr. Dickerson was appointed principal of Northfield Seminary and until his retirement in 1925, the couple occupied the large residence, off the campus, now known as Dickerson Cottage. In 1925 they moved to Oldwick where Mrs. Dickerson continued to live after her husband's death in 1939 until she returned here in May.

Surviving is a son, Charles E. Dickerson, Jr., who is American Consul General in Johannesburg, Union of South Africa and also counselor of the American Legation at Pretoria.

The funeral service was held Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in Russell Sage Chapel and interment was in Oldwick.

Rev. David O. Cowles

Rev. David Otis Cowles of Little Falls, New Jersey and a long time summer resident of East Northfield, died suddenly after a short illness at his home on Friday, October 10th. He was pastor of the Little Falls Methodist church where he had served for the past two years. Previously he had served for twelve years the congregation of the Methodist church at East Orange, N. J.

Mrs. Cowles previously held pastorates in Verona, Summit, Perth Amboy, Jersey City and Arcola.

The son of the late Rose and Henry Cowles was born in Iowa. He was a graduate of Cornell College in Iowa, and attended Drew Seminary. He was founder of the Loyal Youth Workers in the Methodist Church.

Mr. Cowles leaves three daughters, Mrs. Marjorie Crain of Rockaway, Mrs. Helen Thompson of Georgetown, Mass., and Mrs. Kathleen Denise of Ann Arbor, Mich.; three brothers, H. A. Cowles of Pleasanton and Emmett Cowles of Nattumah, both Iowa, and John E. Cowles of Los Angeles; a sister, Mrs. John Robison of Leon, Ia., and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held last Monday at Little Falls in the Methodist church and burial was in the cemetery family plot in Bloomfield, N. J. Rev. Mr. Cowles bought many years ago the former summer home of Fleming H. Revell here and each year both he and his family have occupied. He was an enthusiastic member of the summer colony.

Masonic Visitation

Harmony Lodge of Masons was honored last Friday evening with a visitation from the district deputy Grand Lodge officers. There was a large attendance of members and many guests from Lodges in the area. A reception was accorded the officers, who were George E. Clapp, district deputy grand master, Donald P. Wells, district deputy grand marshal; Clement A. Rose, district deputy grand secretary; Harry Russ, district deputy grand senior warden; and B. H. Graves, deputy district grand junior warden.

Ralph M. Forsaith, past master of Harmony lodge and past district deputy grand master of the Greenfield 14th Masonic district, was presented a distinguished service medal in behalf of the grand lodge of Massachusetts, in recognition of his many years of service to Masonic work.

The degree work was conducted by the following officers of Harmony lodge: Ralph S. Livernoise, master; George M. Leonard, senior warden; Harold F. Bigelow, junior warden, pro-tem; Ralph Ralph M. Forsaith, treasurer; Merritt C. Skilton, secretary; Charles L. Johnson, marshal; Roy J. Fish, senior deacon; Edward C. Bolton, junior deacon; Joseph G. Morgan, senior steward, pro-tem, Melvin A. Morgan, junior steward; and Daniel Sutherland, tyler pro-tem.

Ralph S. Livernoise was presented a past master's diploma. Members of the Eastern star served a supper and the committee were Mrs. Albert Anderson, J. William Wilde, Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, Mrs. Eva Fox, Mrs. Jennie Warnock, Miss Gladys Elliot, Mrs. William Wilde, Mrs. Joseph Morgan, Mrs. Willis Parker, Mrs. Fred Pallam, Mrs. Helen Stearns, and Philip M. Mann, jr.

The Fortnightly

The Fortnightly will meet at three o'clock today Friday in Alexander Hall with Marguerite Browning of New York, a stylist, as guest speaker. The tea hostesses will be Mrs. Wayne B. Wells, Mrs. Louis Webber, Mrs. Ray Thompson, Mrs. Leonard Stebbins and Mrs. Manuel Lopez. The program brochure for the year has been issued and all members have received their copy. The following is the schedule for the following meetings:— Nov. 7, World Community day, "Fellowship Here and Throughout the World", Missleanor Davis, Northfield School for Girls; Nov. 21, Presidents' day, "Come With Me to Grandmother's Kitchen", Margaret Louise Wood; Dec. 5, 8 p. m. meeting, gentlemen's night, "Reflections of a Happy Man" by Rev. Larman S. Sherwood, Rotterdam, N. Y.; Jan. 2, "New England Steeples", Mrs. Walter Corbin; Jan. 16, "World Affairs", Dr. Edmond S. Meany, jr., of Mt. Hermon school; Feb. 6, "Interior Decoration", Myron Johnson.

Also Feb. 20, one act play, Mrs. Robert Abbott, director; March 5, book reviews by Mrs. George Davis; March 19, "Great American Artists," John Edward Phelps; April 3, luncheon at the Northfield hotel; April 16, town hall, "Rumpelstiltskin" presented by Bobby Fulton's Puppet Players, Public invited; May 7, annual meeting.

Speakers Sunday

The Sunday speakers at the Northfield Schools will be Dr. Roland Bainton, Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn., in Russell Sage Chapel, Northfield School for Girls, at 11 a.m. and Rev. Brewer L. Burnett, Green Ridge Presbyterian Church, Scranton, Pennsylvania, in Memorial Chapel, Mount Hermon, at 10:30 a. m.

Mrs. Frank H. Montague and Miss Evelyn Lawley journeyed to Nantucket to spend the Columbus day holiday.

Have 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Alexander of Main Street observed the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding at their home on Tuesday afternoon and evening October 14. Many friends called to express their congratulations and bring greeting and the mail brought many cards, while flowers were received and gifts offered. On Sunday members of the family group had a dinner at the Northfield hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander were married Oct. 14, 1897, in the Unitarian church here and lived in Northfield until 1913 when they went to Springfield. Mr. Alexander was with the wholesale firm of E. F. Collins & Son in Springfield for more than 30 years. They returned to Northfield in October, 1946. Their sons are Clesson M. Alexander of Indianapolis, Ind., and Daniel G. Alexander of Jackson Heights, N. Y., and their daughter is Mrs. Herbert Tolman of Springfield.

Mrs. Alexander is the former Kate Mattoon and was a teacher before her marriage. Both are interested in the Unitarian church, and Mrs. Alexander is a charter member of the Fortnightly club.

Mrs. Evelyn Smalley

Mrs. Evelyn Mae Pike Smalley, wife of George Smalley of Warwick Ave. died Thursday evening, October 8 at her home after a long period of failing health at the age of 48 years. She was born in Leyden, April 15, 1899, daughter of the late Edgar Pike and his wife Henrietta Pike now of Northampton. She attended schools in Leyden and Bernardston and was married to Mr. Smalley in 1918. They have been residents of Northfield for more than 20 years. Surviving are her husband; her mother; a son, George Smalley of Winchester, N. H.; two daughters, Mrs. Erma Knapp of this town and Mrs. Ruth Hartwell of Bernardston. There are five grandchildren. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Kidders Funeral parlors. Burial was in Center cemetery.

A Double Wedding

A double wedding of sisters, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Spaulding of Winchester Road took place in the chapel of the Centre Congregational church in Brattleboro last Friday, October 10th with Rev. Edward C. Dahl the minister officiating.

Miss Edith May Spaulding was married to Joseph Smolen, and Ruth E. Spaulding was married to Robert E. Brasseur.

Joseph Smolen is the son of Joseph S. Smolen of the New Plain road and Brasseur is the son of Frank Brasseur of West Northfield.

The double ring service was used and only the immediate families were present. Luncheon was served at the home of the brides parents after which they left on a honeymoon motor trip through the mountains. They will reside in Northfield upon their return.

Alumni Association

The Franklin County-Northfield Alumni Association of the Northfield Schools will hold an important meeting at the Faculty house (birthplace) on Saturday, October 25th at two o'clock. There will be a brief business session and visit will be made to the museum to carefully inspect the various exhibits. Tea will be served and then a visit will be made to the Home Science building where Miss Mabel Darrah will show moving pictures of students and scenes in action.

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The P T A of Northfield held an announced meeting last Monday evening at Alexander Hall and there was a good attendance, during which time Charles R. White was chosen president. The organization will now be able to function fully and bring about a better understanding of our school system and a closer relationship between parents and teachers. Reports were received from existing committees and a round table discussion followed. It was voted to sponsor an entertainment in the town hall on Friday evening, November 7 produced by local talent and styled "November Varieties". Charles Scanlan will be chairman of the committee in charge. After the business session over which Harold McLean presided as vice president, refreshments were served by a committee of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Benney, Mrs. Ansel True and Mrs. Bernard Whitney.

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The issuance of the new three cent postage stamp, commemorative of the U. S. Frigate "Constitution" is of interest to all, both young and old. They will be on sale at the local postoffices on October 21st and indications already point to a popular demand.

County wide "donation day" of the Franklin County hospital will be observed on Monday, November 17 at which time all county towns will be asked to contribute through a local committee fresh vegetables and canned fruits for use at the hospital.

It is good news to learn that Lauris Harris Jr. of Bernardston who broke his arm in a baseball game played in Northfield with the local team, has made a fine recovery after weeks in the hospital. He has returned to his teaching position in Powers Institute at Bernardston.

The main road through Vernon to Brattleboro was closed last week for repairs which were much needed and traffic was sent around over the Pond road.

An Hour of Music

An hour of music will be presented in Russell Sage Chapel, Northfield School for Girls, Sunday afternoon, October 19, at 4:30 p. m. Miss Adele Addison, soprano soloist of the First Congregation Church in Springfield will be heard and will be accompanied by Viva F. Richardson. Miss Addison is a graduate of Westminster Choir College, spent the summer at Tanglewood under scholarship, and is now studying opera under Boris Goldovsky. Others participating in the program are Marian Keller, organist and head of the music department, and Gloria Savcheff, pianist, a member of the music department. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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Valley Unitarians

The Connecticut Valley conference of Unitarian churches was held at All Souls Unitarian church in Greenfield last Sunday and delegates attended from the Northfield congregation. Rev. Ernest Somerfield, minister of the Church of the Unity of Springfield was the guest speaker. Rev. John Kingsbury of Amherst presented reports of the work of the Unitarian service committee in Czechoslovakia. The afternoon meeting was followed by a supper and evening session.

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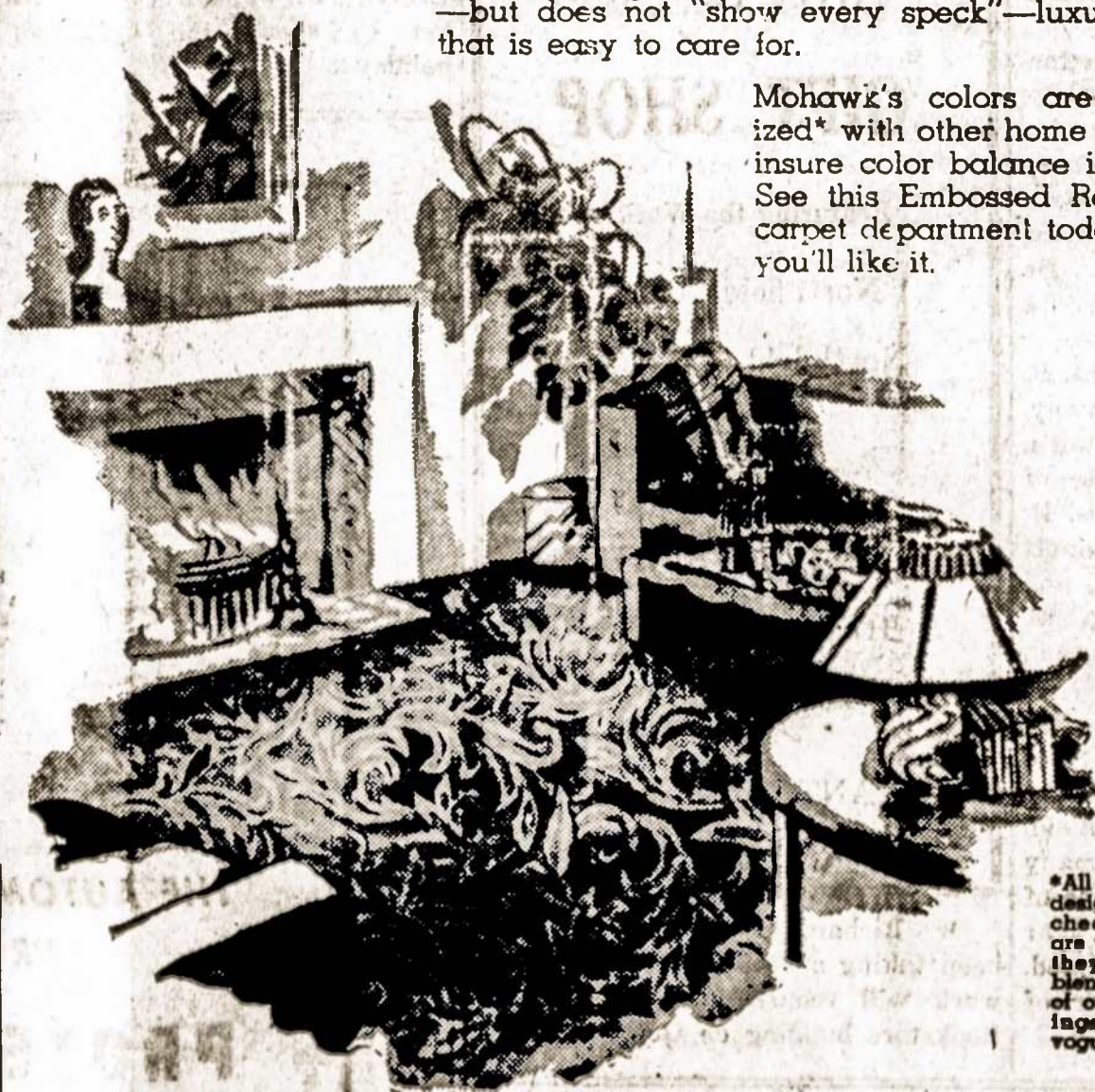
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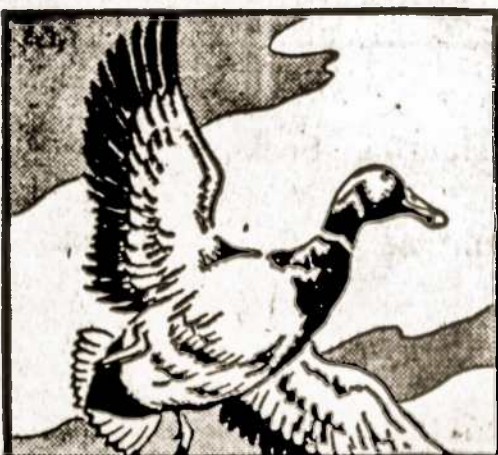
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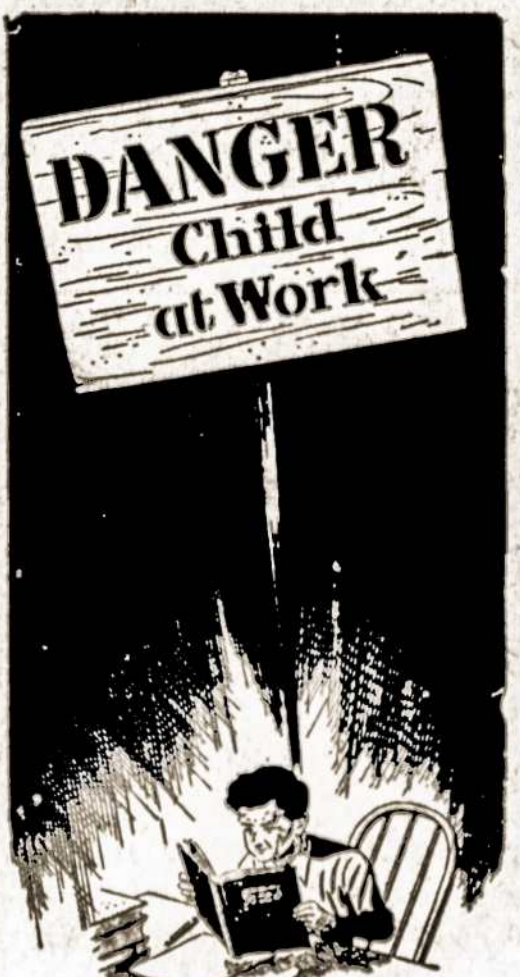
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reception of reports and elections on
Wednesday evening, October 8th and
when the moderator called the meet-
ing to order there was a goodly
attendance. Super was served to
those who attended by a committee of
which Miss Sophie Servaes was chair-
man and ably assisted by Mrs. Fred
Fox, Mrs. Leslie Martin, Mrs. Paul
Mayberry, Mrs. Herbert Reed, Mrs.
George Sheldon, Mrs. Sinclair Suther-
land, Mrs. Louis Webber, Mrs. Julian
Black, Mrs. Ansel True, Miss Emily
Carson, Mrs. James Gillespie and
Mrs. Grady Hoyle, Mrs. Harold Bries-
master, Mrs. Emily Kirk.

At the business with Edgar J.
Livingston as moderator and Mrs.
Shirley Kehl as clerk the following
reports were presented;

Rev. Joseph W. Reeves as minister
of the church, said he had made 390
calls in the parish, had officiated at 19
funerals, and performed 27 marriages
during the year in addition to other
duties.

The report of the clerk, given by
Mrs. Kehl, stated that the average
church attendance during the year
was 194.

The treasurer, George McEwan re-
ported on the dispersal of church
funds during the year. The report
was audited by Louis M. Potts.

A. E. Franz, reporting for the
trustees, stated that only necessary
repairs had been made because plans
for the new church limited any im-
provements on the present building.

Edward M. Powell, reported for the
deacons that six communion services
had been conducted during the year
and Mrs. A. Gordon Moody, gave the
report of the work of the deaconesses.

Rev. Reeves gave the report of the
Sunday school. He paid tribute to
Mrs. Herman White, Sunday school
superintendent, who recently moved
to South Carolina. He also commended
Miss Helen Handy, who has served
for several years as secretary and

The New Phone Book

The new telephone directory of the
New England Telephone and Tele-
graph company for the Greenfield
district has been issued and was
distributed this week to all telephone
subscribers. There are 1,117 more
listings than in the previous issue
and indicates the county is quite phone
conscious. Northfield has 818 stations
and this is the largest number of
subscribers ever indicated for this
community district. Greenfield has
7,535 phones. Other towns are Ash-
field, 246; Bernardston 226; Charle-
mont 303; Colrain 329; Conway 196;
Heath 91; Shelburne Falls, 1,221;
South Deerfield 805; Turners Falls,
1,383; also added to the area are
Jacksonville with 172; Readsboro with
197 and Wilmington with 348. There
are 13,616 phone stations in the area.
Surely phone service is increasing
despite the increase in cost.

Several delegates from the local
Congregational church were in atten-
dance at the meeting of the Franklin
Association of Congregational churches
and minister held at the Mary
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George McEwan, reporting for the
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Jay Shepard, of Wallingford, Vt.,
adopted son of the late Mr. and
Mrs. Finley Johnson Shepard (Helen
Gould), of New York.

The ceremony was on Saturday the
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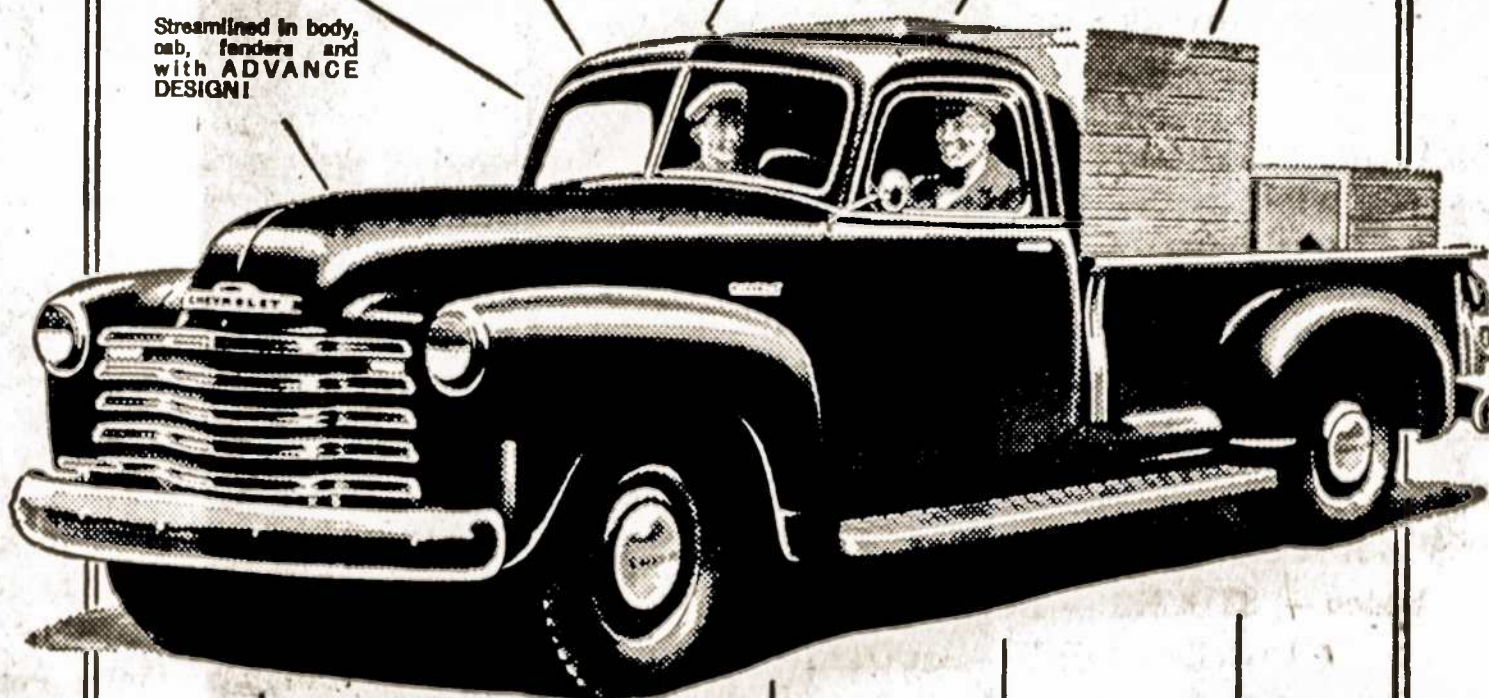
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Town Topics

A daughter, Margaret Jean, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chula of this town at the Brattleboro Memorial hospital on Friday, October 10. Grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chula of Greenfield and of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cembalisky of Northfield.

The local Chapter of the Eastern Star have received invitations from several other Chapters in this vicinity to attend their inspections and among them are those from Arcana Chapter in Greenfield, October 20 and from Unity Chapter in Amherst on October 27.

Rev. and Mrs. Parker B. Holloway of Madison, N. J. were at their cottage on the Ridge this week to close the same for winter.

Mrs. E. L. McIntire and Miss Mabel Livingston closed their cottage on the Ridge this week and left for Florida by auto where they will spend the winter at Daytona Beach.

Several prospects have been looking over the site of the former CCC camp off Northfield-Warwick road recently. The land is all that is left of this once active place and the debris resulting from the wrecking of the buildings is strewn all about the place.

The local W C T U met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. B. E. Newton on Winchester road. Mrs. E. M. Morgan who attended the recent state convention gave an interesting report.

The Mens Fellowship of the South Vernon church held a most interesting meeting last Monday evening when Dr. F. Wilton Dean gave an illustrated talk of his travels last summer to the west coast. Refreshments were served to all attending.

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John Mroczysk has purchased from Percy Dean land and buildings located on the west side of East Street. It adjoins his property on Maple Ave.

Miss Josephine Moody who has spent the summer at her cottage on Rustic Ridge left this week for Intercession City, Florida, where she will teach at Intercession Biblical college during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Page of Pawtucket, R. I. closed their summer home on Woodruff Way this week and returned to their home. They have made considerable improvements to their property during the past two months.

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